Fort Rouge Neighbourhood

Final Report

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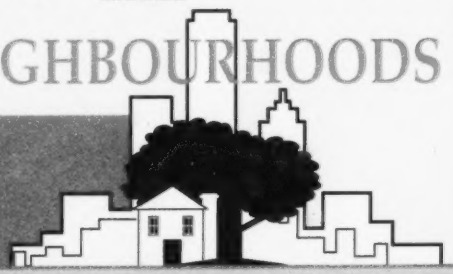

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The Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program

The Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program (M/WCRP) is a 50/50 cost-shared initiative developed between the Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg.

The Program is designed to meet Plan Winnipeg's objectives by facilitating the improvement of living conditions (including social, physical and environmental) in older, deteriorating but potentially stable and predominantly residential neighbourhoods.

The M/WCRP Program provides a comprehensive approach in addressing the unique needs of each designated older neighbourhood by:

- involving neighbourhood residents in the decision making process, including participation in the development and implementation of a neighbourhood specific revitalization strategy;
- providing capital resources as well identifying and/or obtaining complementary funding from other sources to bring about planned improvements;
- providing the flexibility to deal with a broad spectrum of improvement possibilities, while responding to the requirements and priorities identified through neighbourhood level planning.

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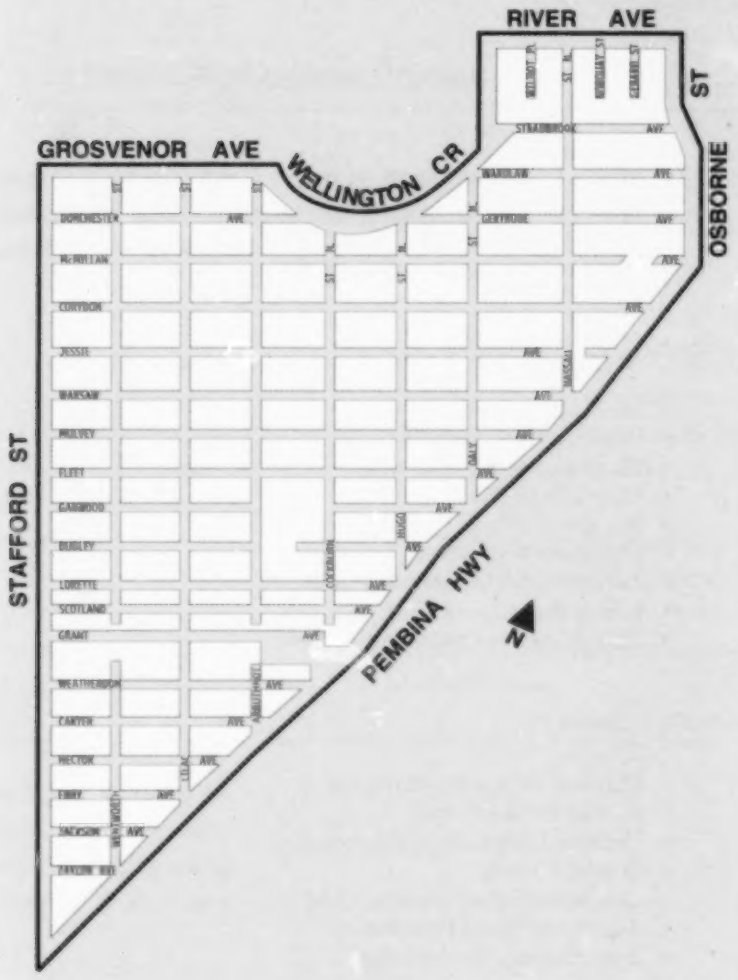

THE PROGRAM

The City of Winnipeg and Manitoba Urban Affairs designated the Fort Rouge area for revitalization through the MWCRP Program in 1990. Funding approval was provided in three phases with the Province and City each contributing $500,000 in 1990, $500,000 in 1991 and $500,000 in 1992 for a total program budget of $3 million.

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Overview

The main objective of the Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program (M/WCRP) is to enhance the physical environment of targeted older residential neighbourhoods, thereby improving the quality of life for its residents. Manitoba Urban Affairs and the City of Winnipeg designated the Fort Rouge neighbourhood for revitalization in 1990, and provided a total budget of $3.0 million on a 50/50 cost-shared basis.

Program funds were made available, based upon the guidelines of the M/WCRP Program for:

- Improving or constructing recreational facilities (playgrounds, athletic facilities, community centres, schoolyards, etc.)
- Improving or constructing social facilities (day cares, senior citizen centres, etc.)
- Improving municipal services (sidewalks, curbs, streetscaping, lighting, etc.)
- Involving local residents in planning improvements for the area (publicity, meetings etc.)
- Administration costs such as salaries and site office operations,
- Other identified community projects and initiatives.

Revitalization of the Fort Rouge Neighbourhood was achieved through:

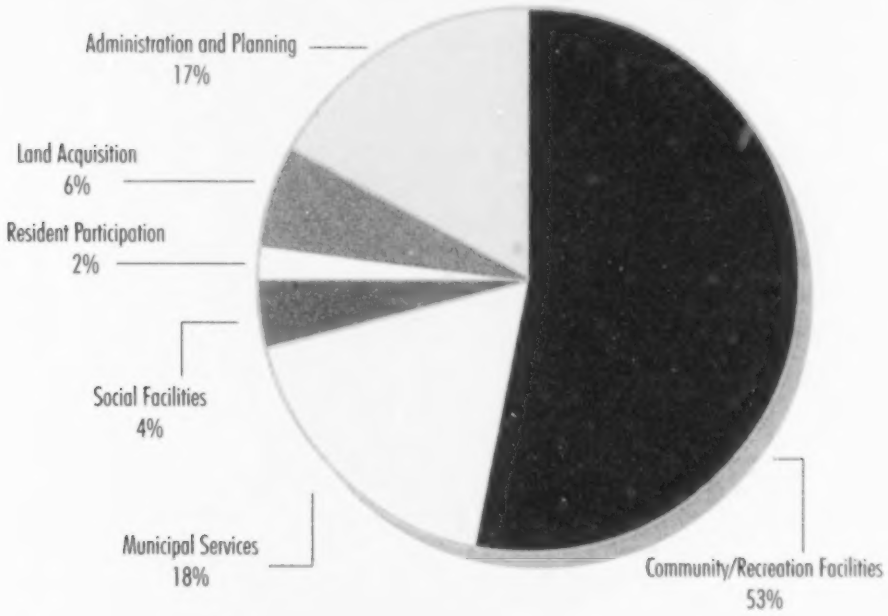
- The investment of $1.5 million by the Province of Manitoba and $1.5 million by the City of Winnipeg.
- Involvement of residents and key neighbourhood stakeholders as full partners in the planning and decision-making processes respecting improvement project proposals.
- Development of a strategic planning document that outlined improvement actions that should be undertaken in response to identified neighbourhood issues.
- Development of strong and positive partnership between area residents, local organizations and the two levels of government.

The $3.0 million was allocated as follows:

Community/Recreation Facilities	$1,611,500.00
Municipal Services	529,000.00
Social Facilities	116,500.00
Resident Participation	50,000.00
Land Acquisition	180,000.00
Administration & Planning	513,000.00

The partnerships that were formed throughout the course of the M/WCRP became an important component in the successful implementation of many projects that could not have otherwise happened. Funding was levered from various sources, including; the Manitoba Community Places Program, City of Winnipeg Capital, the City's Community Incentive Grant Program, the Parks and Recreation and Works and Operations Departments, the Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Works Agreement, and Winnipeg School Division No. 1. Total complementary funding exceeded $2,444,000.00.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN OF ALLOCATIONS BY PROGRAM CATEGORY



ADMINISTRATION

Staff from the City of Winnipeg's Neighbourhood Programs Division of the Community Services Department (now the Planning and Land Use Division of the Property and Development Services Department) were responsible for administering the Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program (M/WCRP) in Fort Rouge. Manitoba Urban Affairs was a full funding partner and monitored the program's progress. A Program site office opened in March 1991, adjacent to the Fort Rouge neighbourhood, at 524 Osborne Street. The site office provided space for Resident Committee and program-related meetings, and served as a contact point between area residents and the City administration that were responsible for delivery of the M/WCRP Program. The office, which operated with a Neighbourhood Planner, a Community Development Worker and a Clerk, remained at this location until September 1996.

Staff were the data collectors, clearing agents and facilitators who assisted, promoted, identified and coordinated potential resources to achieve improvement in the neighbourhood. They provided liaison with community groups, city departments and provincial agencies, and were also responsible for the dissemination of Program information and literature throughout the Fort Rouge neighbourhood. This was achieved through the production and delivery of brochures, a door-to-door survey, interviews with newspaper media, the facilitation of round table, community and project-focused meetings, and through outreach work, including informal exchanges with individual residents and meetings with area organizations, agencies and institutions. The information gathered from all of these sources assisted in identifying neighbourhood issues and needs that, in turn, were incorporated into the Fort Rouge Community Revitalization Strategy document.

Throughout the project planning and implementation stages of the M/WCRP Program, strong and positive partnerships were realized with staff from other civic departments as well as social agencies and other levels of government (see Project Implementation section).

Resident Participation

Ensuring that area residents have the opportunity to provide input into the revitalization of their neighbourhood is a fundamental component of the Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program (M/WCRP).

Resident participation began in the Fort Rouge area in the summer of 1991 when public meetings were held to introduce the Program to the neighbourhood and a Residents' Committee was elected. The purpose of the Committee was for area residents to serve as advisors to Program staff in the development of improvement projects and initiatives. This involved identifying and prioritizing the needs of the neighbourhood, reviewing funding requests and making recommendations for funding. The Residents' Committee members also liaised with, and solicited information from, other residents.

On more than eighty-eight occasions, the Residents' Committee met regularly with Program staff to share information and to develop a Community Revitalization Strategy which addressed neighbourhood concerns. This strategy also identified potential projects that could be developed in order to achieve the revitalization of the area.

The neighbourhood at large was kept informed about ongoing M/WCRP activity through regular brochure updates and public meetings. At least two newsletters per year were delivered to every household within the community. A general meeting was held yearly to review projects, discuss neighbourhood concerns and to seek resident input and endorsement for the following year's activities. As the need arose, new members were elected to fill vacancies on the Committee at these meetings.

Resident involvement in the Program was emphasized not only through the work of the Committee but also in the partnerships that developed between the M/WCRP staff and the community (residents, area groups and organizations), funding agencies, other levels of government, service delivery agents and with other Civic departments. These partnerships contributed to the effective delivery of projects that met the needs of the Fort Rouge neighbourhood, fostered a better understanding of civic functions and promoted community responsibility and participation. The overall result was an affirmation of the commitment of local residents to their neighbourhood's sustainability and civic pride.

Over the six years of the M/WCRP operation in Fort Rouge, 28 residents participated on the Residents' Committee. In total, these people devoted more than 9500 hours of volunteer time.

The following individuals were active on the Fort Rouge M/WCRP Residents' Committee:

Rosemary Ahoff
Theckla Brown
Heather Cram
Marty Donkervoort
Tim Duprey
Sister Olive Fiola
Elaine Gray
Kathy Horkoff
George Jarvis
Sid Kroker
Barb Lucier
Robert Mark
Glen McDonald
Char Okell
Keith Oliver
Wallace Robertson
Alan Shepard
Tim Taylor
Shelley Thompson
Hermi van den Berg
Daile Unrah

(Others who participated were)
Kathy Ellis
Georgina Garrett
Glen Hickerson
Agnes Krenz
Rick Mayhew
Norman Miller
Darrell Paton

"We hope the improvements undertaken through the M/WCRP will have a lasting effect on the quality of life for the residents of the Fort Rouge neighbourhood"

-The Fort Rouge Residents' Committee

The Committee members were recognized for their valuable contribution to the revitalization of the Fort Rouge neighbourhood at a reception held in May 1996. At the reception, each Committee member was presented with a crystal plaque by the Minister of Urban Affairs (The Honourable Jack Reimer) and the Mayor of Winnipeg (Her Worship Susan Thompson).

Strategy For Change In Fort Rouge

At early meetings of the Residents' Committee, members had to balance the development of a set of criteria that was applicable to potential project submissions that were arriving regularly, with the development of a strategic plan for Fort Rouge. Building upon knowledge from each other, the Committee, working in partnership with Civic staff:

- Collected neighbourhood data
- Identified gaps in services and facilities
- Assessed community resources
- Collaborated with other community groups, civic and provincial departments, agencies and the business community
- Identified issues affecting Fort Rouge

In the early stages of the Program, a neighbourhood survey was undertaken to determine the issues of Fort Rouge residents. Intense discussions led to the development of a revitalization strategy which articulated the goals, objectives and implementation action that could be taken to support local initiatives, alleviate perceived gaps and address the issues that had been identified. From the list of goals, four "guiding principles" evolved which directed the Committee's implementation activity:

- **Neighbourhood Character** - To preserve and promote the unique "neighbourhood" character of the Fort Rouge area including its trees, the human feel of its residential and business areas, and the styles of its architecture.
- **Personal Safety** - To create a safer neighbourhood for Fort Rouge residents and to remove conditions that avail against personal safety.
- **Neighbourhood Streets** - To assure that the neighbourhood residential streets remain primarily for the use and benefit of Fort Rouge residents; secondly that those elements which invite residents to move freely and safely about their community be preserved or where necessary, reclaimed.
- **Community Awareness and Participation** - To maximize Fort Rouge residents awareness of local services, facilities and programs; to enhance neighbourhood pride; and to involve residents in the improvement of their neighbourhood by working together with them.

Every proposal was evaluated using these guiding principles (the measuring standard applied to all potential projects) while following the M/WCRP guidelines.

The Residents' Committee received endorsement for the strategic plan at the November, 1992 Annual General Meeting. They then undertook the exercise of prioritizing the implementation action that was identified in the plan.

Project proposals grew out of this strategic plan and from the partnerships that were established among Civic staff, the M/WCRP Residents' Committee, neighbourhood groups and organizations, and the community. In assessing each of the proposals, alternative options to meet the same need were considered as well as resources required such as funding, the creation of partnerships and operating and maintenance issues. The groups making the proposals were required to provide sufficient information (e.g. estimated budget required, project time frame, perceived neighbourhood benefit) in order for the Committee to make an informed decision. City staff worked with project proponents to seek complementary funding from other sources, and M/WCRP "seed money" often provided the basis for levering additional project funds. Details on complementary funding, which totaled more than $2.4 million, are specified later in this report. Generally, the Committee's decision to recommend a funding allocation and the amount of funding were consensual. Every project received the same degree of attention, regardless of size, as they were all seen as equally important to the proponents of the application and ultimately to the community.

Some projects required establishing working groups and creating partnerships (see Project Implementation section) to enable them to happen. These groups and partnerships were often made up of representation from the Residents' Committee, the community (interested citizens, organizations and businesses), the School Division, various civic/provincial/federal departments, etc.

Project Funding

	PROJECT	M/WCRP ALLOCATION	COMPLEMENTARY FUNDING
COMMUNITY RECREATION FACILITIES	Earl Grey Community Centre		$ 303,505.00
	• Landscaping	$ 361,500.00	
	• Building	450,000.00	
	• Furnishings	12,500.00	
	Carter Park	63,000.00	
	LaVerendrye Schoolyard	83,000.00	14,740.00
	Hugo/Jessie Piazza - Development	95,000.00	374,950.00
	River Osborne C.C. Feasibility Study	10,000.00	
	River Osborne Community Centre	112,000.00	
			175,000.00
	Gladstone Schoolyard/ R.O.C.C. – Grounds Phase III R.O.C.C. (Parking Lot)	271,500.00	32,000.00
	Stradbrook Park - Development.	81,000.00	11,500.00
	Grant Ave. Buffer	52,000.00	
	Block Parents of Winnipeg	20,000.00	39,000.00
MUNICIPAL SERVICES	Osborne Village Streetscaping	319,000.00	1,347,000.00
	Special Refuse Pick-up (1993, '94, '95)	6,500.00	
	Curb and Sidewalk Reconstruction	100,000.00	
	Transit Shelters	21,500.00	
	Grosvenor Square Streetscaping	34,500.00	
	Aggregate Waste Receptacles	4,000.00	
	Tree Pruning/Education Program	43,500.00	
SOCIAL FACILITIES	Harvest Ministry	29,000.00	53,898.00
	Fort Rouge Co-Op Day Nursery	35,000.00	
	Carter Day Care	12,500.00	2,700.00
	Dante Day Nursery Inc.	40,000.00	
LAND ACQUISITION			
	Stradbrook Park	73,000.00	76,700.00
	Hugo/Jessie Piazza	107,000.00	
ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING		513,00.00	
RESIDENT PARTICIPATION		50,000.00	13,000.00
	TOTAL	$3,000,000.00	$2,444,893.00

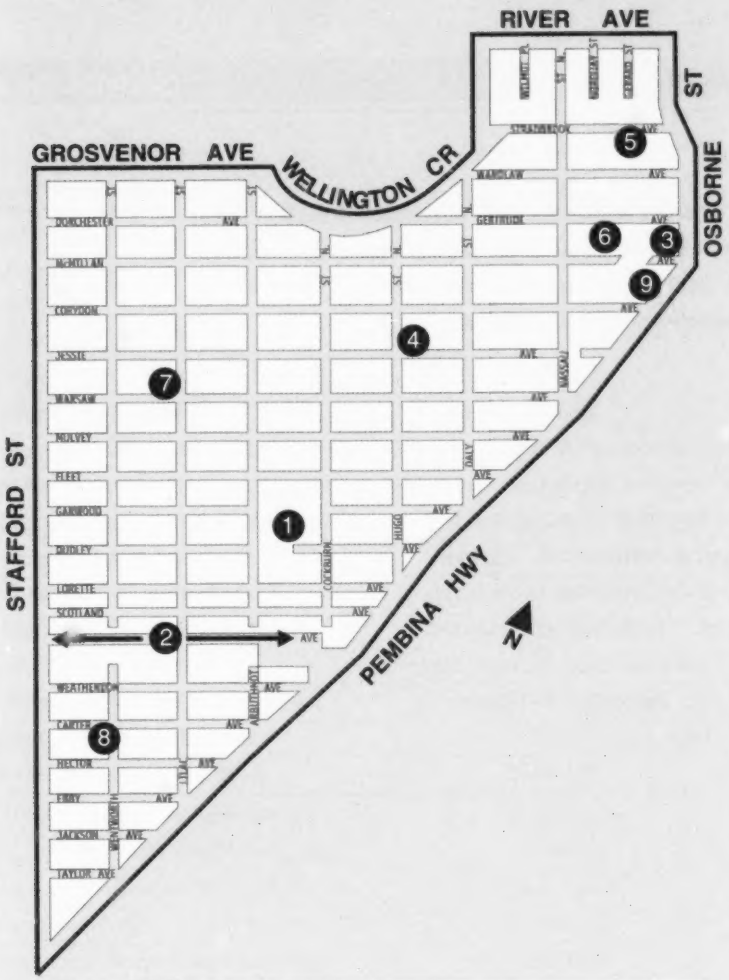
GRAND TOTAL OF $5,444,893.00 spent

Project Implementation

The tables in this section represent the work undertaken in the Fort Rouge neighbourhood through the Manitoba/Winnipeg Community Revitalization Program (M/WCRP) in response to the objectives set out in the Fort Rouge Community Revitalization Strategy document.

Each of the projects is identified by category and a brief description is provided. The issues and goals identified in the strategy that were applicable to the individual project are referenced. Partnerships with other civic departments, other levels of government and with community agencies and organizations provided an avenue for residents of Fort Rouge to deal with the issues and goals identified in the strategy.

Partnerships refers to the proponents and participants involved in making the project a reality, including those who provided complementary funding for the project. Without these partnerships, the goals of the strategic plan would not have been achieved and projects would not have been implemented as successfully, nor with such an impact on the community. These partnerships have enabled residents to access resources and services and equipped them with the tools to continue the revitalization process beyond the term of the M/WCRP Program in Fort Rouge.



Community/Recreation Facilities

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3. Block Parents of Winnipeg
4. Hugo/Jessie Piazza
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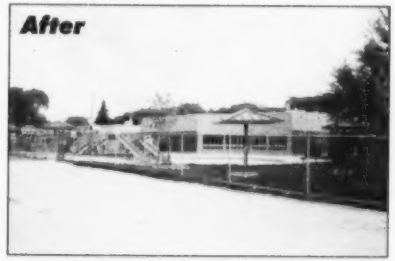
6. Gladstone Schoolyard
7. La Verendrye Schoolyard
8. Carter Park
9. River Osborne Community Centre

■ Community/Recreation Facilities

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
EARL GREY COMMUNITY CENTRE (BUILDING and GROUNDS)	• Redesign & expansion of the existing C.C. building including a multi-purpose room, change facilities, and office/control room. Redevelopment of the existing grounds and adjacent schoolyard to expand the programs (tennis, basketball, soccer, baseball, hockey, etc.) and services provided to the community at this facility. Outdoor change building for both summer and winter sports. A new junior & senior playstructure.	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community-based facility. Improve condition of existing parks, playgrounds and athletic fields. Meet the recreational needs of the community. Enhance use by local residents.	• M/WCRP, City Centre/Fort Rouge Community Committee, Earl Grey Community Centre, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., Winnipeg School Div. #1, Gaboury Associates Architects Inc., Hilderman, Thomas, Frank & Cram Landscape Architects	• Improved community facilities. Increased access to and opportunities for neighbourhood youth, families & seniors. Maximized use of existing space/facilities. Targeted needs of specific groups within the community.



GRANT AVENUE BUFFER	• Installation of decorative and bollard-style lights along south side of Grant Ave. between Pembina & Stafford; supply and installation of park benches.	• Create opportunities for informal outdoor gathering. Improve neighbourhood lighting where personal safety concerns are identified.	• M/WCRP, Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, City of Winnipeg Parks and Hydro Depts., Ebby-Wentworth residents	• Developed outdoor space for passive activity. Achieved a lighting level where people feel safe.

Community/Recreation Facilities

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
BLOCK PARENTS OF WINNIPEG	• Renovations to the former River-Osborne C.C. clubhouse (466 Gertrude) to allow the Block Parents of Winnipeg offices to relocate to this site. This project occurred in two phases and included interior building renovations and a new roof and insulation.	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social facilities. Promote and enhance existing level of services.	• M/WCRP, Block Parents of Winnipeg, Winnipeg Foundation, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., River Osborne C.C. Board	• Improved community facilities. Maximized use of existing space/ facilities. Increased awareness of and access to neighbourhood services.
HUGO/JESSIE PIAZZA	• Development of an open area that offers a retreat for local residents and customers of the Corydon commercial area. The park fronts Jessie Ave. and includes a hard surface area that contains a market shelter and storage building, a fountain, benches, lighting, planter wall and artists frieze for local exhibits.	• Provision of public spaces/ create opportunity for informal outdoor gathering. Improve image of key commercial area.	• M/WCRP, Hugo/Jessie Piazza Board, Government of Canada Western Economic Diversification, City Centre/Fort Rouge Community Committee, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., Province of Manitoba, Wagner and Associates	• Developed outdoor space facilitating both cultural and economic activity. Developed a linkage between local business owners and residents.

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PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
STRADBROOK PARK	• Purchase and development of vacant land at 512 and 514 Stradbrook Ave. as a passive park. Site work included landscaping, pathways, furnishings (benches, cedar trellis, wrought iron fencing and lighting), planting of shrubs, trees, natural prairie grass and flowers and tree pruning.	• Provision of public spaces/ opportunity for informal outdoor gathering. Ensure compatibility of land uses with emphasis on preservation of the residential community.	• MWCRP, City Centre/Fort Rouge Community Committee, Local Area Councillor, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., Environment Canada Eco-Action 2000	• Developed outdoor space for passive activity. Increased the amount of accessible space for public use. Promoted and enhanced public spaces.
GLADSTONE SCHOOLYARD/ RIVER OSBORNE COMMUNITY CENTRE GROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT	• Redevelopment of Gladstone Schoolyard/River Osborne C.C. grounds including landscaping, a new playstructure, wading pool and athletic field upgrading, installation of permanent hockey rink, site furnishings, wall mural, walkways, a dedication sign, tree planting and lighting.	• Condition of existing parks, playgrounds and athletic fields. Meet the recreational needs of the community. Enhance use by local residents.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., Winnipeg School Div. #1, Gladstone School Parent Council, River Osborne Community Centre Board, Wagner and Associates	• Supported sustainable park development. Maximized use of existing space/facilities. Targeted needs of specific groups within the community. Improved lighting safety levels. Improved arboreal nature (tree planting).

Community/Recreation Facilities

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
LAVERENDRYE SCHOOLYARD	• Upgrading of this community-used schoolyard to include installation of a new playstructure, site grading, soccer goal posts, fencing, asphalt and limestone paving and tree planting.	• Improve conditions of existing parks, playgrounds and athletic fields. Meet the recreational needs of the community. Enhance use by local residents.	• M/WCRP, LaVerendrye Parent Council, Winnipeg School Div. #1, Manitoba Community Services Council, Corydon Ave. B.I.Z., Manitoba Hydro, Ken Rech Landscape Architects Inc.	• Supported sustainable park development. Maximized use of existing space/facilities. Targeted needs of specific groups within the community. Improved arboreal nature (tree planting).
CARTER PARK	• Upgrading of this existing park site including a new playstructure, sandbox with shade roof, hard surfacing, benches and picnic tables, fencing, signage, lighting and tree planting.	• Improve condition of existing parks, playgrounds, Meet the recreation needs of the community. Enhance use by local residents. Improve safety issues by increasing lighting. Improve arboreal nature of park with tree planting.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Hydro and Parks Depts., Ebby-Wentworth residents	• Supported sustainable park development. Maximized use of existing space/facilities. Targeted needs of specific groups within the community. Improved safety level (lighting). Improved arboreal nature of area (tree planting).

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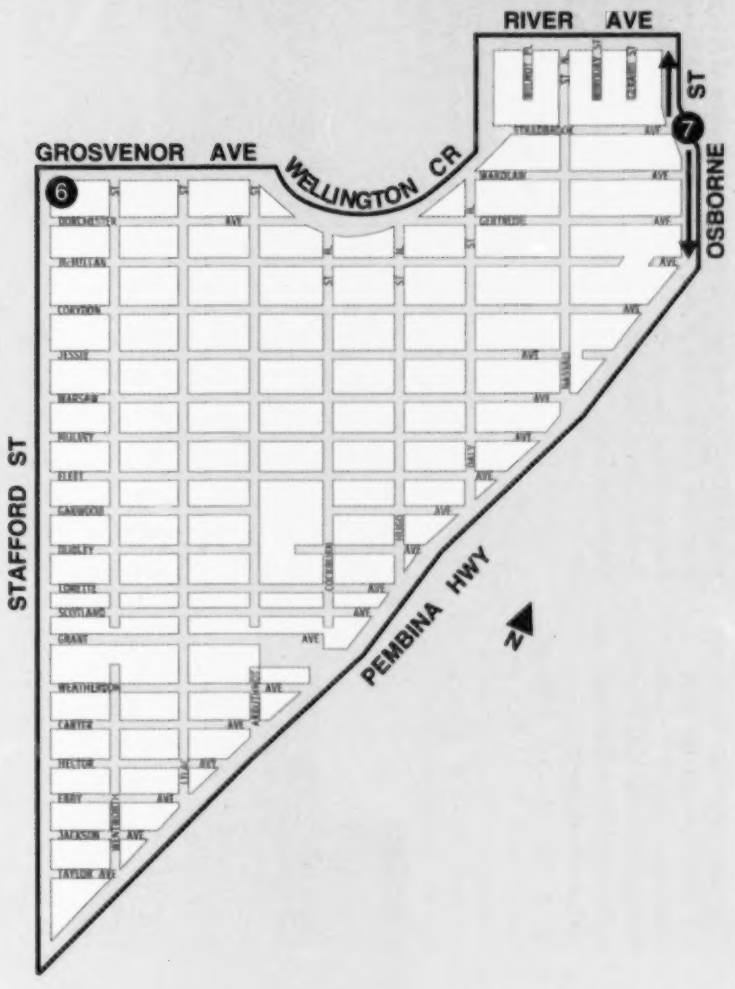
PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
RIVER OSBORNE C.C. (BUILDING)	• Consolidation of Gertrude St. clubhouse with Edna Stefaniuk Gymnasium to provide a multi-functional facility. Project included interior renovations, and a 2600 sq. ft. building addition to provide a multi-purpose room, skate change/viewing area, kitchen, canteen, office and storage area.	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social and recreational facilities. Promote and enhance existing levels of service and address unmet needs.	• M/WCRP, Canada/Manitoba/ Winnipeg Infrastructure Works, River Osborne Community Centre, City of Winnipeg Parks & Recreation Dept., NYD Associates Inc.	• Increased access to and opportunities for neighbourhood youth, families & seniors within this facility. Improved community facilities awareness and access to neighbourhood services.



MUNICIPAL SERVICES

1. Aggregate Waste Receptacles*
2. Special Refuse Pickup*
3. Transit Bus Shelters*
4. Tree Pruning/D.E.D. Education Program*
5. Curb and Sidewalk Reconstruction*
6. Grovesnor Square Streetscaping
7. Osborne Village Streetscaping

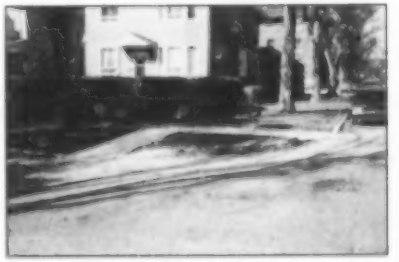
*Neighbourhood Wide

Municipal Services

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
AGGREGATE WASTE RECEPTACLES	• Supply and installation of aggregate waste receptacles at various locations throughout the neighbourhood.	• To reduce litter. To expand the usage of public areas/boulevards.	• M/WCRP, Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, City of Winnipeg Water & Waste Dept., Take Pride Winnipeg	• Reduction in litter. Increased community pride by providing cleaner streets and boulevards.
SPECIAL REFUSE PICK-UP	• Three special bulky refuse pick-ups undertaken in 1993, '94 and '95. City crews collected approximately 70 tonnes of unwanted bulky materials. During the '93 campaign a drop-off site was established for recycled goods & hazardous waste materials.	• To sustain and improve upon homes and yards in the neighbourhood.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Water and Waste Dept., Fort Rouge Residents	• Promoted yard maintenance and rehabilitation.
TRANSIT BUS SHELTERS	• Supply and installation of 6 transit shelters at various locations throughout the neighbourhood.	• Encourage alternative transportation modes and provide safer pedestrian accessibility/mobility throughout the neighbourhood.	• M/WCRP, Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, City of Winnipeg Transit Dept., Osborne Village B.I.Z., Corydon Ave. B.I.Z.	• Provided safety and protection for bus riders.

■ Municipal Services

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ISSUES & GOALS	PARTNERSHIPS	OBJECTIVES MET (COMMUNITY BENEFIT)
TREE PRUNING/ D.E.D. EDUCATION PROGRAM	• Pruning of boulevard trees. In conjunction with City of Winnipeg Forestry Branch and the Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, two workshops were conducted to assist residents in the identification and early detection of Dutch Elm Disease (DED).	• Maintain neighbourhood character by preserving area trees. Beautify and improve the Arboreal nature of boulevards.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Forestry Branch and Hydro Depts., Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, Coalition to Save the Elms, Fort Rouge Residents	• Preserved boulevard trees. Encouraged residents to participate in disease identification/ control program (DED). Education and awareness of tree maintenance and disease prevention.
CURB & SIDEWALK RECONSTRUCTION	• Repaired and replaced sidewalks and paracurbs as needed throughout the neighbourhood.	• Improve condition of surface works to facilitate mobility of local people.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Operations Dept.	• Enhanced safe pedestrian accessibility and mobility throughout the neighbourhood.



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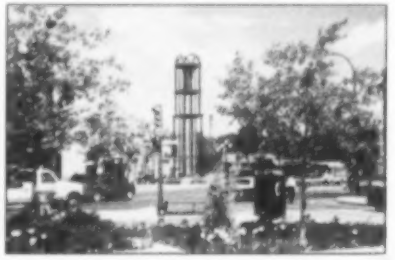
GROSVENOR SQUARE STREETSCAPING	• Supply and installation of pedestrian-level decorative lights for Phase 1 of this streetscaping project.	• Improve image of key commercial areas.	• M/WCRP, Grosvenor Square Merchants Association/B.I.Z., Local Area Councillors, Winnipeg Hydro, City of Winnipeg Forestry Branch	• Supported the Grosvenor Square merchants in beautifying and enhancing their business area.
OSBORNE VILLAGE STREETSCAPING PROJECT	• A three-phase streetscaping initiative along Osborne St. from Roslyn Rd. to the Pembina/ Corydon interchange including: Stradbrook Plaza and bell tower Infrastructure renewal (roadwork's, sidewalks and paracurbs, electrical service upgrades, watermains) Festoon and pedestrian-level lighting; Transit shelters; Street furnishings (benches, waste receptacles, bicycle racks, banners) Plantings (trees, shrubs and flowers)	• Improve image of key commercial areas. Enhance safe pedestrian accessibility/mobility throughout the neighbourhood. Improve lighting.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Streets & Transportation, Operations, Parks and Hydro Depts., Canada/Manitoba/Winnipeg Infrastructure Works, City of Winnipeg Capital, Osborne Village B.I.Z., MTS. Local Area Councillor, McGowan Design Group	• Promoted and enhanced public spaces by creating an image conducive to public usage. Developed a linkage between local residents and business owners. Supported the Osborne Village merchants in beautifying and enhancing their business area.



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HARVEST MINISTRY (GOSPEL MENNONITE CHURCH)	• Renovations to the lower level of Gospel Mennonite Church to enhance the facility's use by residents of the community.	• Community service facility needs provided opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social facility. Promote and enhance existing levels of service and address unmet needs.	• MWCRP, Manitoba Community Places Program, Gospel Mennonite Church	• Increased awareness of and access to neighbourhood services including a food bank, life skills and financial counseling, literacy programs, children's day camp and youth programs.
FORT ROUGE CO-OP DAY NURSERY (BUILDING AND PLAYGROUND)	• Interior building renovations & upgrading of the outdoor playstructure	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social facility. Promote and enhance existing levels of service and address unmet needs.	• M/WCRP, Fort Rouge Co-op Day Nursery Board and Staff, St. Luke's Anglican Church	• Improved physical structure benefiting both staff and children. Increased awareness of and access to neighbourhood services.

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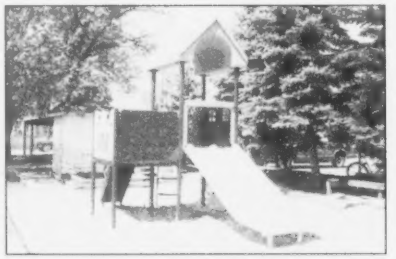
CARTER DAY CARE PLAYGROUND PROJECT	• Upgrading of the outdoor play area including supply and installation of a new playstructure and safety area.	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social facility. Promote and enhance existing levels of service and address unmet needs.	• M/WCRP, Carter Day Care Board and Staff, Bethel Mennonite Church	• Increased awareness of and access to neighbourhood services.



DANTE DAY NURSERY (BUILDING)	• Interior building renovations and purchase of furnishings, appliances and day care equipment.	• Provide opportunity for stronger and more viable community based social facility. Promote and enhance existing levels of service and address unmet needs.	• M/WCRP, Dante Day Nursery board and Staff, Earl Grey Community Centre	• Increased awareness of and access to neighbourhood services.

Non-Monetary Projects

1. Street Chokers
2. Traffic Study*
3. Leisure Study
4. Neighbourhood Management Plan*
5. Rezoning*

**Neighbourhood Wide*

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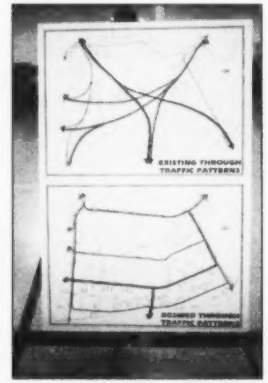
STREET CHOKERS	• Installation of traffic calming devices along Nassau St. to slow vehicular traffic for safe pedestrian crossing in the vicinity of Gladstone Elementary School, area churches and River Osborne Community Centre.	• Enhance safe pedestrian accessibility/mobility throughout the neighbourhood. Reduce speeding traffic.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Streets and Transportation Dept., Gladstone School Parent/Staff Council, Gospel Mennonite Church, Local Area Councillor, Affected residents	• Impeded speeding traffic and reduced traffic volume on a highly traveled pedestrian street.
TRAFFIC STUDY	• Traffic assessments to determine volume and speed of vehicular traffic on designated streets and lanes and development of strategies to address safety concerns including potential roadway reconfiguration.	• Reduce short-cutting of non-local traffic on residential streets. Increase/improve controlled crosswalks, stop signs and other means at intersections most used by pedestrians. Work with Police and Streets and Transportation to identify problem areas.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Streets and Transportation Dept., Earl Grey Neighbourhood Safety Association, Residents of Ebby-Wentworth and Earl Grey neighbourhoods, Affected business owners (Grant Motor Hotel and Cantel) 	• Speed awareness/education. Measured traffic flow and volume in residential trouble spots. Determined traffic patterns and how it affected the community and business owners. Participated with residents to resolve traffic issues.

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LEISURE STUDY	• A study to identify leisure interests and unmet needs of residents within the catchment area of River Osborne Community Centre.	• Provide opportunity for stronger, more viable community based social and recreational facilities. Begin to address unmet needs.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Parks Dept., U. of M. Health, Leisure & Human Performance Research Institute, River Osborne Community Advisory Committee, Local Area Councillor	• Programs and services identified to support facility improvement priorities for River Osborne Community Centre. Unique needs of neighbouring communities were identified.
NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN	• Creation of a management plan to determine the future direction of the neighbourhood, regarding local decision-making, public safety, housing development, commercial development, Architectural Design Control, Traffic and Transportation and Land Use Zoning.	• All of the issues, objectives and guiding principles from the Fort Rouge Neighbourhood.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Property & Development Services Dept., Corydon B.I.Z., Osborne Village B.I.Z., Fort Rouge homeowners, landlords and tenants, Representatives of neighbourhood organizations and institutions, Councillor Murray	• Facilitation of three open houses which provided broad neighbourhood input and feedback. Development of a draft neighbourhood management plan.
REZONING	• Public hearings to promote neighbourhood rezoning to protect the residential character of the neighbourhood.	• Ensure compatibility of land uses with emphasis on preservation of the residential community. Maintain predominantly single-family nature of the community.	• M/WCRP, City of Winnipeg Property & Development Services Dept., City Centre/Fort Rouge Community Committee	• Ebby-Wentworth and Earl Grey neighbourhoods down-zoned from R-2, two-family dwelling neighbourhood to R1.5, single-family neighbourhood. Strategic downzoning the McMillan Neighbourhood to protect older single-family dwellings from conversion to higher density.

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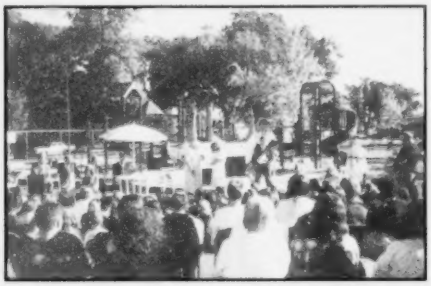

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